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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

The Democrats in the House want to be present but not comforted. That's the way they treat the negroes and their votes at election times in the South.—*Toledo Blade*.

No matter who holds to the contrary, it is not true that the Southern whites desire to get rid of the Southern blacks. Colored labor is wanted in the South. The thing that is not wanted there is a colored voting population.—*Wheeling Intelligence*.

Another Democratic state treasurer gone wrong. This time Treasurer Noland of Missouri, is alleged to be \$250,000 behind. Another argument why Missouri should shake off the Bourbon thrall and join the West, where she geographically belongs.

Seven Northern Democrats dodged the vote on the Cate-Featherstone contest. They could not bring themselves to endorse the frauds by which Cate claimed his seat, and did not want to vote in favor of seating a Republican; hence they evaded voting.

The Reed City *Clarion* says that the name of John T. Rich is enthusiastically mentioned all over the state as likely to receive the Republican nomination for governor, notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Rich modestly protests and declares he is not a candidate.

Says the Indianapolis Journal: "A large majority of the farm mortgages in Indiana and other Western states were given for purchase money, and most of them are paid when they mature. No class of people in this country are paying off their debts faster than the farmers." This will make the Democrats feel worse than ever.

Democratic newspapers are constantly talking of the withering influence of the protective tariff. There was an increase of \$3,000,000 in the total deposits of the Maine Savings banks last year, and a gain of 7,630 in the number of depositors. If that's the withering influence, the people of Maine will undoubtedly say "let her wither."

The Tennessee state senate has passed the Dorth bill, providing stringent regulations for elections. The measure requires an educational qualification for voters. We doubt whether it will pass the House. Its aim is to disfranchise the negroes; but Tennessee has too many white Democrats who can not read nor write for the measure to be popular.—*Blade*.

The Senate committee on privileges and elections has decided to recommend the seating of Powers and Saunders, the Republican Senators from Montana. The Democrats on the committee will make a minority report, and it is possible Senator Turpie will make an independent report that no election has been accomplished. The two Republican Senators will, however, be seated.—*Blade*.

It is expected that the Democrats in the house will again kneel and kneel to the South when the bill to refund the direct war taxes comes up for consideration. The Southern states that did not pay this tax are very strongly opposed to refunding to the Northern states that did pay, and Northern Democrats will vote against the interests of their own states, and against simple justice, to please the South. How do you like it.—*Detroit Tribune*.

Some Eastern woolen manufacturers who prefer to buy their wool abroad than at home are organizing a new association in opposition to the old National association. The new association will strenuously resist the demands of the wool growers and of course oppose the McKinley tariff bill. Democrats and Mugwump manufacturers want free wool but when it comes to woolen goods, that's different. They want their own industry protected—very sure of that—but the raw material they demand shall have very little or no protection. It would not be true to say there is nothing small about them.—*Det. Trib.*

Not only will the sympathy of the country be with Minister Lincoln in his great bereavement, but it will share in his grief. It was the universal hope and earnest desire that the grandson and namesake of Abraham Lincoln would be spared to a life of usefulness and honor. The young man made a brave fight for life, but the fell disease, aggravated, it is feared, by unskillful surgery, proved too much even for the magnificent constitution he had inherited. The whole country will profoundly regret that the line of Abraham Lincoln has now no male in the third generation, and that the brilliant promise of a great career has been extinguished in young Abraham Lincoln's death.—*Philadelphia Press*.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 14, '90.
The President is a close observer of Congressional legislation and he holds constant consultations with the republicans of both House and Senate. He does not attempt to be dictatorial and yet he does not hesitate to tell the congressmen when he thinks a thing is wrong, and he generally offers in the way of a suggestion, something to take the place of the objectionable measure. The result of this is to put Mr. Harrison in closer relation with his party in Congress than any recent President has been, and if kept up, and there is no reason to suppose that it will not be, there will be no use for Presidential vetoes during this administration.

The Senate has decided to vote on the Blair Educational bill on the 20th inst. It will probably pass by a very small majority, but this is by no means as certain as it was a month ago. In fact its defeat would not surprise many people here.
(It is thought that a pension bill will be gotten up embracing something from each of the several bills now in the hands of the committees, it being generally agreed that it will not be advisable to pass all of the bills that are being pressed. The dependent pension bill will probably be made the basis of the new measure, or it may be finally decided to pass that as it is, and leave the others for the present.)

The town was thrown into a commotion one day this week by an alarm of fire from the White House, but it soon subsided when it was learned that the alarm had been turned in to test the new fire alarm wires which had just been put into that building. In the crowd which hurried toward the White House, were Secretary Blaine and Attorney General Miller, both of whom supposed the house to be on fire.

The Senate has practically administered a reprimand to Senator Call by voting to expunge from the Record certain objectionable language referring to Senator Chandler, which Mr. Call had inserted, notwithstanding he did not use the words in his speech on the floor of the Senate. This falsifying the Record is a practice that is becoming entirely too common in both branches of Congress.

Senator Stanford's resolution providing for an investigation by the Senate Finance committee as to whether the Government may loan money to the owners of farms at two per cent per annum is being much talked about and has been endorsed by the "Federation of Labor" of this District. If such a thing is really practicable it would be a most popular measure ever before Congress.

Senator Allison's credentials for his new term beginning March 4, 1891, have been presented to the Senate.

Senator Mitchell has introduced a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution which provides that United States Senators will be elected directly by the people, and given notice that he will shortly address the Senate upon the subject. The idea, while not a new one, would seem to be, in view of the charges of bribery in connection with the election of Senators which have become so common of late years, a good one. Anything that brings the Government nearer to the people should be welcomed.

The House yesterday passed the Oklahoma Territorial bill. It passed the Senate sometime ago.
The House Committee on Coinage will decide next Monday what report it will make on Secretary Windom's silver bill. It will probably be favorably reported, with several amendments.

The House committee which conducted the civil service investigation has not yet considered the printed testimony, and the members of it are very reticent in regard to what the report is likely to be.

The concurrent resolution for the investigation of immigration and the purchase of American industries by foreign capital has passed both Houses. Now perhaps something may be learned about this English-syndicate business.

Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Wanamaker, Miss Wanamaker, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harrison have gone to Florida for a short stay.
Ex-Representative Tautbe, of Kentucky, having died, Mr. Kincaid, the newspaper man who shot him, two weeks ago, has been placed in jail under a charge of murder.

Representative Lodge, of Massachusetts, has his Federal election bill nearly ready to introduce. It proposes to put the control of the elections for President and Congressmen under control of Federal officials.

Near the close of the G. A. R. meeting last evening and when the members were thinking about making their way homeward, they were completely surprised by a large delegation of the Women's Relief Corps headed down with all the delicacies of the season. The vets were equal to the occasion, however, and after three cheers for the ladies, which were given in a very hearty manner, they proceeded to partake of the good things which by this time had been spread before them. To say the least was appreciated would be a very mild way of expressing it. It was one of the most enjoyable surprise parties of the season.—*Bay City Times*.

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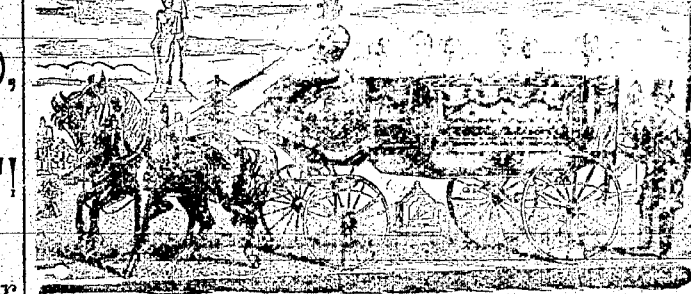
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